



Borderland State Park

Department of Conservation and Recreation

MAY 2022 PROGRAMS

All programs are free and open to the public. An adult must accompany children. Reasonable accommodations available upon request. Parking fee applies. In case of inclement weather, confirm by calling (508) 238-6566. Please follow all current COVID guidelines. Visit Mass.gov/COVID.

Thursdays,

OFF THE BEATEN PATH HIKES

May 5, 12, 19 1:00pm-3:00pm, Meet at the Visitor Center

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Join the Park Interpreter for a guided hike and explore the trails at Borderland. Hikes are between 2-4 miles long on varied terrain at a moderate pace. Route varies each week. For adults.

Sunday, May 22 & EXPLORE NATURE: PONDING AT THE LODGE

1:00pm-2:00pm, Meet at the Lodge

Fridays, May 20 & 27 Using nets and buckets, let's catch some of the critters who live in Leach Pond. We will then determine the water quality in Leach Pond using a tally of the types of animals we find. Wear shoes and clothes

that can get wet. For all ages.

Sunday, May 22

EXPLORE NATURE: STONEWALL SECRETS

3:00pm -4:00pm, Meet at the Visitor Center

How did all these stonewalls get into the woods? Who made them? And why? Learn about the history of the stonewalls that crisscross Borderland State Park. For all ages.

Sundays, May 1 & 8 Mondays, May 9, 23 &

A STORY IN STONE: EXTERIOR MANSION TOUR

1:00pm-1:30pm, Meet in front of Ames Mansion Who was the architect of the Ames Mansion? What is the mansion made out of? Learn the story of the construction and design of the Ames mansion on this 30-minute exterior tour (we will not be going into the Mansion). For ages 8+ years.

Sundays, May 1 & 8 & Mondays May 9 & 23

GARDEN TOUR: SECRETS OF THE LAND

2:00pm -2:30pm, Meet in front of Ames Mansion

In the early 1900s, rock gardens were all the rage! Harvard botanist, Oakes Ames enjoyed spending time in these gardens that features many different types of plants, as well as interesting rock features and a fountain. Learn about the rock garden, swimming pool and a few other features of the land. For all ages.

Sunday, **May 15**

DCR SE MASS ADULT WALKING CLUB

1:00pm -4:00pm, Meet at the Visitor Center

Join the park staff for a 5—6mile moderately paced hike to the northern most part of Borderland: the Morse Loop. We will take various hilly & rocky terrain. For ages 16+ years.

Saturdays, May 21 & 28

KIDLEIDOSCOPE STORY HOUR

9:00am -10:00am, Meet at the Visitor Center

Join the park interpreter for a nature themed story, craft and short walk. Each weeks nature theme will be different. Story hour and craft will take place inside the visitor center, followed by a short nature

walk. For children ages 4+ years. Rain or shine.

Monday, May 16

FULL MOON HIKE, 8:00pm, Meet at Visitor Center

Join us for a full moon hike along the Pond Walk Trail. Meet at visitor center. We will offer 3 guided hikes at different paces (fast, moderate, and slow). All hikes take the same route and are 3 miles on mostly level terrain. Please arrive prior to the start time. Park will be open for this program only. Rain will cancel. For all ages.

Sunday, May 29

ANNUAL FISHING FEST

9:00am -12:00pm, Meet at the Lodge

Join the Friends of Borderland for their annual Fishing Fest. DCR Staff and Friends of Borderland will provide bait and poles, or you can bring your own. Prizes for all children participating in the Fishing Fest. This program is free, donations are accepted and will benefit the Friends of Borderland. Rain or shine. For all ages.

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